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Ms. Deena Sheppard-Johnson, SR-6J
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Remedial Enforcement Support Section
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

Re: Chemical Recovery Systems Superfund Site - Elyria, Ohio

Dear Ms. Sheppard-Johnson:

I am writing on behalf of Alside, Inc. to respond to the March 2, 2001 General Notice of Potential Liability concerning the above-referenced site. The General Notice Letter requests each potentially responsible party to notify U.S. EPA within ten days of receipt of the letter of its willingness to perform or finance the activities described in the letter.

To date, Alside, Inc. has not located, nor has U.S. EPA provided, any evidence linking Alside, Inc. with the Chemical Recovery Systems ("CRS") Site. However, Alside's internal investigation in response to U.S. EPA's Request for Information is ongoing, and if and to the extent facts are uncovered establishing Alside's liability at the Site, then Alside will discuss an appropriate resolution of this matter with U.S. EPA and other PRPs at the Site.

In order to expedite resolution of this matter, please forward copies of all evidence U.S. EPA has gathered which allegedly links Alside with the CRS Site. If U.S. EPA requires or would prefer that we submit a Freedom of Information Act Request, please let me know as soon as possible.

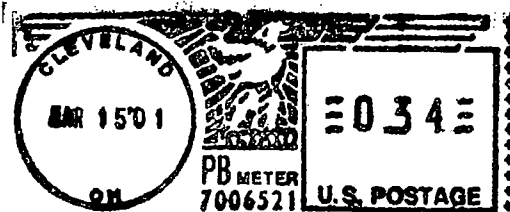
Please direct further contact with Alside to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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